R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

Succession Planning

Career Advancement Program

Position Development Program

Funding and Next Steps

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Employee Development Master Plan

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Objectives

- Establish a consistent Succession Planning Process which recognizes Employee Performance, Company Objectives and the Employees Personal Circumstances for promotion consideration.
 - —Support employees career choices to ensure we place employees in the right position, therefore providing the Company and the employee a 'win-win' situation.

Objectives

- Establish training plans which strengthen the value of training, developing and retaining good employees, while providing an opportunity for career advancement.
 - Define Knowledge and Skill needed by position and Management Personnel responsible for training.

New Programs

■ Succession Planning

Consistent Process of Identifying Succession Candidates

■ Career Advancement Program

Training Plan used with Candidates prior to reporting to new position

■ Position Development Program

Training Plan used for Employees after reporting to new position

Succession Planning

Succession Planning is the responsibility of the entire Region Management team, with the RSM as the point person.

.... more heads are better than one

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- All Managers are accountable for the development of direct report personnel and should document:
 - -Career Objectives
 - -Personal Considerations and Limitations
 - -Development Plans, to include:
 - » Personal Dimension Needs
 - » Knowledge and Skill Needs

... know our people

Succession Planning

- Once per quarter the RSM and Region Management team meet to review and discuss succession candidates.
 - —Managers are prepared to submit their individual candidate recommendations and development plans for each, to include:
 - » Short and long term career interests
 - » Strengths as they relate to job responsibilities
 - » Personal dimension training needs
 - » Geographical considerations

- Managers are challenged to become familiar with all succession candidates, prior to the next succession planning period.
 - -Meetings
 - -Work Withs
 - -Conversations

Succession Planning

- AVP's and RSM's must gain first hand knowledge of each succession plan candidate. A minimum of 1 day must be spent with each candidate prior to placement on the succession plan, to review and confirm management's assessment of the candidates:
 - -Career Interests short and long term
- Development Plan
 - -Personal Dimension Needs
 - -Personal/Geographic limitations

- During the next planning period, previous candidates are discussed, new candidates are offered and the process continues.
 - -Agreement by all Managers is required
 - Documentation is collected for each candidate selected for the succession plan
- RSM is now prepared to submit candidates to the AVP, with assurance that the right candidate was selected.

Succession Planning

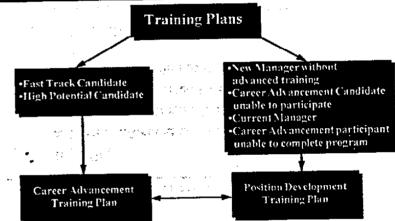
Benefits

- Better informed decision in candidate selection
- **■** Consistent information gathering process
- Decision supported by documentation
- Better expression of the candidates career interests
- Minimizes bias
- **■** Opens Succession Planning Process
- National consistency in candidate selection
- Actively works toward Affirmative Action Plan

Training Plans

Career Advancement Training Plans
Position Development Training Plans

Training Plans - Overview



Training Plans - Overview

- Specific By Position
 - -Knowledge and Skills
 - -Position of Mentors
 - -Timing
 - -Personal Dimension Needs
- Field Tested
 - -68 field personnel across all Sales Areas
 - -Unanimous confirmation of need
 - -Input incorporated into Training Plans
- Applicable to both Programs

Career Advancement Program

Overview

- The Career Advancement Program is designed to prepare and train individuals *prior* to accepting a new management position.
 - Candidate is removed from current position in order to devote full attention to the training plan
 - Previous position is filled with a qualified candidate
 - Training plan requires a 6 Month commitment
 - Personal ownership of development plan is critical
 - Extensive travel required to train with Mentors
 - Upon successful completion, candidate is offered the next available position

Career Advancement Program

Potential Risks and Hardships

- Participation may not be possible for all candidates, due to personal circumstances
- Other employees may feel threatened if they are not in the program, as next promotion is clear
- A job opening for new position may not coincide with completion of the program
- Family commitment needed, due to periods of absence from home
- Significant travel is required
- If Candidate fails: Assign to position of most competence

Solution to Potential Risks and Hardships

- Accommodations must be made for the candidate
 - -Personal Considerations to fit unique needs
 - -Allowances for family commitments
- Candidate and Mentors must be well informed
 - -Dialog between all participants must be open and honest
- Communication defining the entire program is necessary throughout the entire organization.
 - -Open and Honest dialog with all levels

Career Advancement Program

Program Elements

- Selection of the Candidate
- Development Plan Preparation
- Conversations With the Candidate
- Selection of the Mentor
- Conversations With the Mentor
- Handoff Meetings
- New Position Handoff Meeting

The role of the RSM throughout each element of the Career Advancement Program is active and hands-on.

Selection of the Candidate

- Utilizing the Succession Planning process the candidate is selected for participation in the Career Advancement Program based on:
 - -Candidate's current manager's assessment
 - -RSM's assessment
 - -Regional management team's agreement
 - -AVP approval

Career Advancement Program

Development Plan Preparation

- Training Plans are used as a guide by the RSM and the candidate's current manager. Each Development Plan should be tailored to the employee:
 - Customize based on background experience
 - Prioritize knowledge and skill areas needed
 - Identify candidates personal dimension needs
 - Establish appropriate time frames for completion
- RSM must incorporate into the Development Plan meaningful time with the candidate to include:
 - Work Withs
 - Consultation / Evaluation Meetings

Conversations with the Candidate

- Once the Candidate has been selected, the RSM must review in depth with the employee:
 - Program details and benefits
 - Program ramifications
 - Expectations of the Candidate
 - » Personal commitment/ownership of Development Plan is needed
 - Uncover any accommodations the Candidate may need
 - Candidates identified Personal Dimension needs
 - Timing issues
 - Develop personalized training plan

Career Advancement Program

Selection of the Mentors

- Once the candidate accepts, the AVP and RSM must select the most qualified Mentors, as outlined in the training plan.
 - Mentors should be leaders in their marketplace and possess key personal attributes
 - » Excellent business knowledge
 - » Coaching skills
 - » Leadership ability
- RSM and Mentors become a team focused on the successful preparation of the candidate.

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Conversations with the Mentors

- RSM must meet with the Mentors to thoroughly review:
 - Program details and benefits
 - Mentors role and expectations
 - Day to day interaction required
 - Candidates personal considerations
 - Candidates identified personal dimension training needs
 - Candidates ownership of the Development Plan
 - -Timing

Career Advancement Program

The Handoff Meeting

- A Handoff Meeting is conducted by the RSM when responsibility shifts from one mentor to the next.
 - Attendees include:
 - » Candidate
 - » Current Mentor
 - » Future Mentor
 - » RSM 'Sponsoring Manager'
 - » AVP as available
 - Content:
 - » Review and assess the previous portion of the program
 - » Hand off Candidate's Development Plan to the new Mentor
 - » Review plan for the next portion of the program

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New Position Handoff Meeting

- The New Position Handoff Meeting is conducted by the RSM Sponsoring Manager, after the candidate has accepted the new position but prior to reporting to the new position.
 - -Attendees include:
 - » RSM Sponsoring Manager
 - » Candidate's New RSM
 - » Candidate's New Direct Manager (if different from RSM)
 - » Candidate

Career Advancement Program

New Position Handoff Meeting (continued)

Sponsoring Manager Responsibilities:

- Review and assess original training plans and accomplishments to date against the plan
- Review and assess specific personal dimension needs and progress to date against the plan
- Handoff a comprehensive status report to the candidates new Manager, that includes:
 - » Knowledge and Skill areas; to include any not completed
 - » Personal Dimension areas; to include any not completed
- Encourage continued contact with the Mentors as a resource

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New Position Handoff Meeting (continued)

- Responsibilities of the candidates new RSM and new direct Manager:
 - Commitment to follow through on coaching any identified areas of development that require additional attention
 - Review key business drivers within new marketplace
 - » Major customers
 - » Personnel Issues
 - » Business mix/demographics
 - » Pending programs
 - Introduce candidate to his/her new team (if applicable)

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New Position Handoff Meeting (continued)

- Responsibilities of the Candidate:
- -Complete self assessment of the training plan
- Review and identify status of identified personal dimension needs and progress against the plan
- -Commitment to follow through on any identified areas of development that require additional attention

Benefits

- Employees fully trained prior to assuming new position
- Full attention dedicated against training for new position
- Employee is confident and capable day one
- Unproductive time minimized in new job transition
- Specific training plans for each position
- Candidates personal ownership of their career development plan
- Specific Mentors identified for each knowledge and skill criteria
- Program completion defined within established time frames
- Training conducted by the most qualified coaches and leaders

Career Advancement Program

Test Results

- RM Anthony Ahiabuike "My peers all wish they could have had the same opportunity" "I'll hit the ground running"
- ARSM/RSM Mike Buckler "Could not imagine tackling the RSM position without the Career Advancement program"
- ARSM Floyd Cook "I'll be a better prepared RSM, as a result of this program"
- RSM Scott Steen "I wish I could have had gone through this program"

Position Development Program

Overview

- The Position Development Program is designed to be used with new employees who are promoted into a management position without advance training.
- Training Plans are specific to positions
 - Knowledge and Skills needed
 - Job position of Mentor
 - Established time required for training
 - Employees Personal Dimension needs
- Multi Purpose Application
 - New Managers
 - Current Managers

Management's Responsibility:

- Employee's Manager is the Sponsoring Manager
- Sponsoring Manager, RSM and AVP are responsible for:
 - Evaluating personal dimension needs of the employee
 - -Assist employee in preparing Development Plan
 - Assist RSM in selection of the mentors
 - Communicate personal dimension needs to the selected mentors
 - Managing and monitoring the process

Position Development Program

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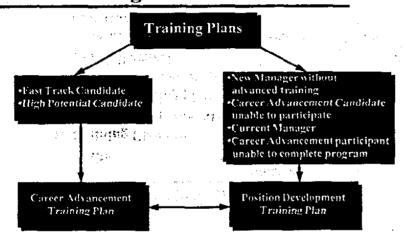
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Benefits

- Training Plan accommodates all employee's regardless of personal circumstances
- Specific training plans for each position
- Specific Mentors identified for each knowledge and skill criteria
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Training Plans

Training Plans - Overview



Training Plans - Overview

Requirements For Success:

- The Candidate must accept responsibility for his/her own Development Plan
- The Mentors responsible for conducting the training must fully understand the significance of mentoring the Candidate
- The Sponsoring Manager responsible for the individual being trained must be involved in the process

Career Advancement Training Plan - Anthony Ahiabuike

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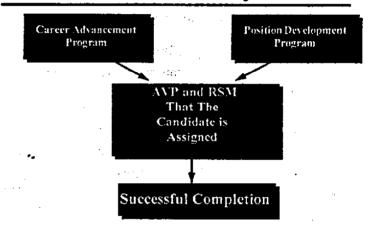
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Funding and Next Steps

Funding

Proposed Funding

- 1997 vacancies averaged 43 per month
- Most vacancies at Retail Rep/Administrative positions
- Positions budgeted at \$23,000 annually
- In 1997 approximately \$989,000 budgeted, but not spent, based on vacancies
- 1998 vacancies average 45 per month

Funding for Career Advancement Candidates

■ 8 Trainees for 1998 - cost \$492,260

Career Advancement Program - Next Steps

July 6 - July 10

RSMs prepare:

- · Succession plan candidates against all positions with candidate
- · Personal Dimensions development plans for each candidate

July 13 - July 17 AVPs hold meetings with RSMs

- · Present and thoroughly discuss Career Advancement Plan
- · Discuss and prioritize candidates against Career Advancement Plan objectives.
- · Discuss and identify potential mentors for each candidate

Career Advancement Program - Next Steps (cont.)

July 20

JVM, WFT, hold meeting with AVPs

- · Review Sales Area Succession Plan candidates
- · Review Personal Dimension development plans of candidates
- · Select candidates for Career Advancement Plan against plan objectives
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- Select mentors for each candidate based off region recommendations
- · Select candidates for back-fill positions

July 21 - July 31

RSMs meet with candidates

- · Present and thoroughly discuss Career Advancement Plan
- · Conduct up-front Conversation With Candidate

August 3

Candidates report to first mentor

Succession Planning Process - Next Steps

July 13 - July 17	AVPs hold meetings with RSMs
	Present and thoroughly discuss Succession Planning Program
July 20 - July 31	RSM holds meeting with direct reports
	· Present and thoroughly discuss Succession Planning Program
	· Identify and /or confirm candidates for succession plan
	 Develop action plan for management team to meet with identified candidates
Aug. 3 - Sep. 25	Region management team gets with the candidate - Managers get to know candidates (W/W, Meetings, etc.)
	· Managers identify and document candidate development needs
October	RSM and direct reports reconvene
	· Group discuss previous candidate submissions
	Any new candidates are submitted

October

September

RSMs identify existing managers for program participation

Identify all managers promoted since October 1, 1997
 Create development plan for identified managers

Position Development Program - Next Steps

July 13 - July 17 AVPs hold meetings with RSMs

employees

Develop action plan for implementation of Position Development Program

Present and thoroughly discuss Position Development Program
 Set expectation for program implementation on all newly promoted

RSMs implement Position Development Program with existing

· Discuss and review Position Development Program

· Discuss and review development plan

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Program Repeated Quarterly